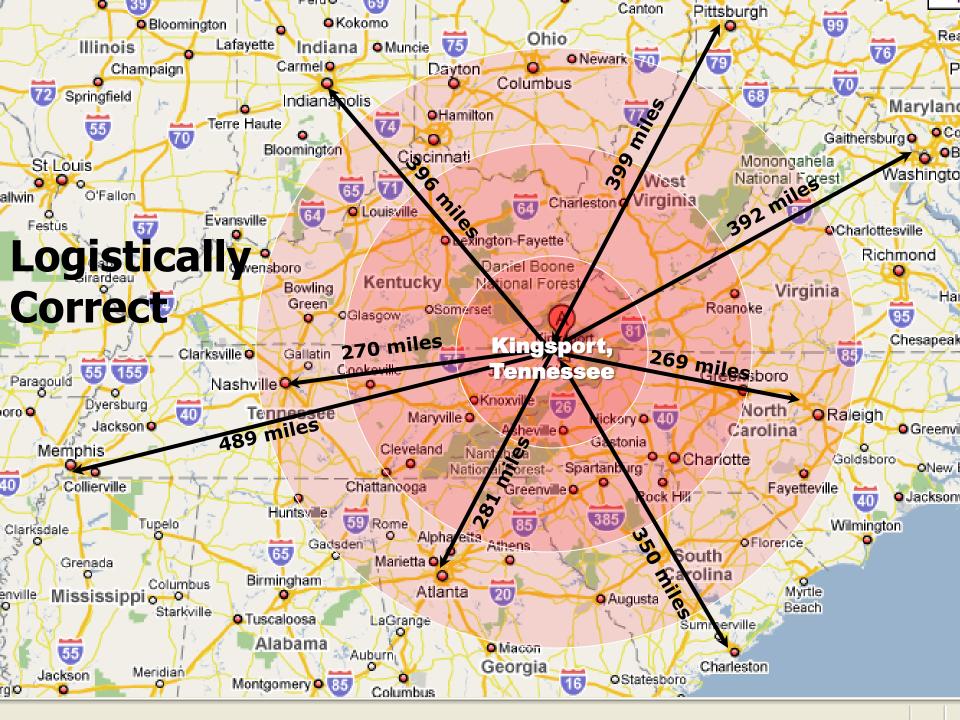




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Kingsport is...

the largest city in Tennessee's 5th Largest Metro

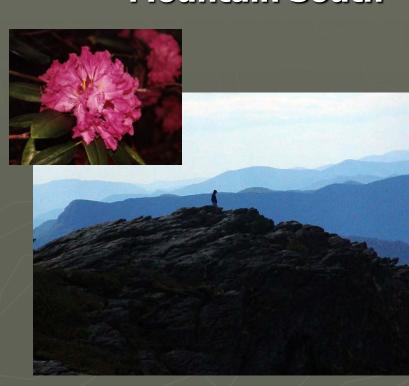


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Memphis, TN-MS-AR	1,285,732
Knoxville, TN	691,152
Chattanooga, TN-GA	518,441
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	304,689
Clarksville, TN-KY	261,220
Johnson City, TN	195,849
Morristown, TN	135,914
Jackson, TN	112,685
Cleveland, TN	112,143
Cookeville, TN	102,982
Sevierville-Pigeon Forge-Gatlinburg, TN	84,835

Census Bureau, Metropolitan Statistical Area: July 1, 2008

Knoxville, TN	691,152
Greenville, SC	624,715
Chattanooga, TN-GA	518,441
Asheville, NC	408,436
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA	304,689
Charleston, WV	303,944
Roanoke, VA	298,108
Huntington, WV	284,234
Spartanburg, SC	280,738
Johnson City, TN	195,849
Charlottesville, VA	194,391
Anderson (Clemson) , SC	182,285
Blacksburg (Virginia Tech)	158,328

Kingsport is... the largest city in the 5th Largest Metro in America's Mountain South



Census Bureau, Metropolitan Statistical Area: July 1, 2008

Kingsport's settlement pre-dates the State of Tennessee by 35 years

- 1761 British Fort Robinson (later taken by U.S. and renamed Fort Patrick Henry)
- 1779 Sullivan County, NC (later TN) formally established
- 1784-1789 The Lost State of Franklin
- 1796 Tennessee statehood from North Carolina
- 1822 "Old" Kingsport incorporated
- 1861-1865 American Civil War
- 1865-1877 Reconstruction
- 1914-1918 World War I
- 1917 "New" Kingsport incorporated (nearly 100 years after "Old" Kingsport)
- 2010 = 249 years after original settlement



Kingsport (1917)

A John Nolen planned city



Where We Were The 1999 Economic Summit

Six Major Non-Traditional Economic Development Initiatives

- Higher Education (Educate & Grow)
- Recruit people (educated with income)
 - Retail amenities
 - Accessibility (airport)
 - •Quality of life amenities
 - •Commitment to education
- •Small business & entrepreneurs
- •Public arts, sculpture, music, cultural amenities
- Leisure/hospitality/sports tourism
- Redevelopment (inc. downtown)



Broad Street Redevelopment Concept Plan 2001

Where We Are Now

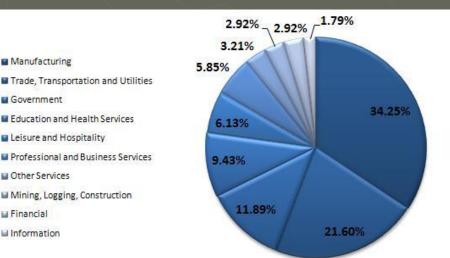
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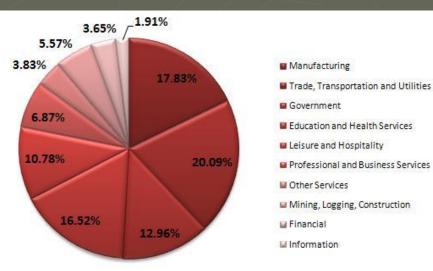
9,000 Net New Jobs

Employment in Kingsport MSA

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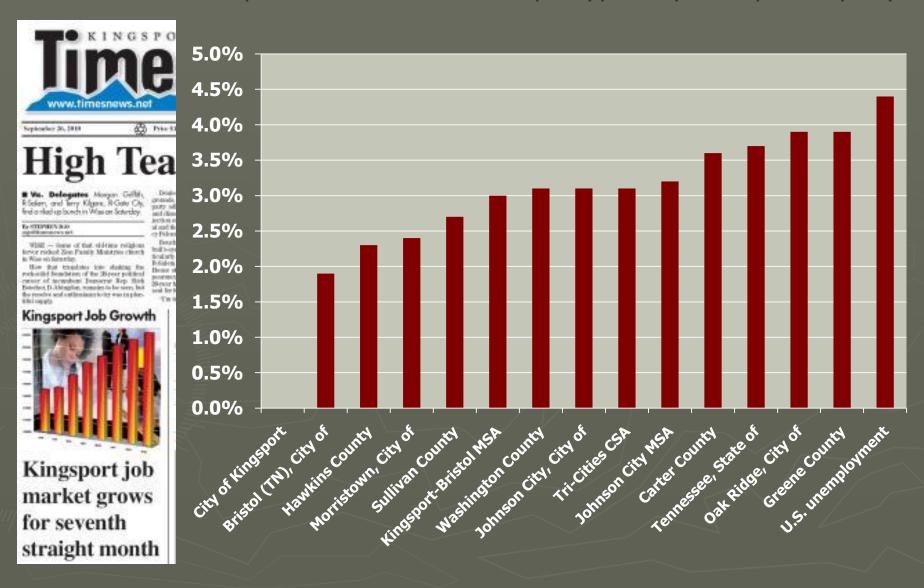




NORTHEAST TENNESSEE

Change in Unemployment Rate During the "Great Recession"

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development (updated July 2005 compared to July 2010)





THE FACTS

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SEARCH

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A community like no other ... and we'll prove it!

Sign the Guestbook and we'll get started to help you FIND A JOB, FIND A HOME and discover a new life in Tennessee's bright spot.

Get Started Now



Tennessee's Bright Spot

Offering a dynamic combination of pristine beauty and cutting-edge technology, the city of Kingsport is a beacon of hospitality in an

Kingsport Just For You...

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Top Destinations - Must See

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It's almost as good as being there yourself. F the Downtown Kingsport Tour Bus with Chad





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The Top High Schools

A Web-exclusive extended list of the nation's top high schools

Read more at: http://www.newsweek.com/id/39380/?s=kingsport

Only 8 Tennessee Schools made the list:

Dobyns-Bennett (Kingsport)

Farragut (Knoxville area)

Collierville (Memphis area)

Ravenwood (Nashville area)

Hillsboro (Nashville)

Brentwood (Nashville area)

Hume-Fogg Academic (Nashville)

Martin Luther King Academic Magnet (Nashville)

- 82 Virginia schools made the list Patrick Henry (Roanoke) being closest
- 52 NC schools made the list Roberson (Asheville) being closest
- 19 SC schools made the list with 12 being in the Upstate
- 11 KY schools made the list with none in Southeast Kentucky
- 3 WV schools made the list all in the Charleston metro area

Higher Education Initiative

Northeast State, University of Tennessee, King College, Lincoln Memorial University



2 years free tuition to H.S. graduates

Childcare

Public Transit

\$17 million local capital funding

2,100 students

2002 – Applied Technology

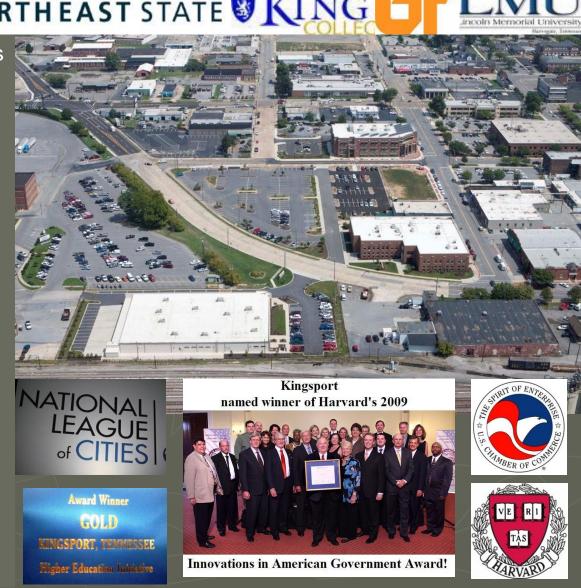
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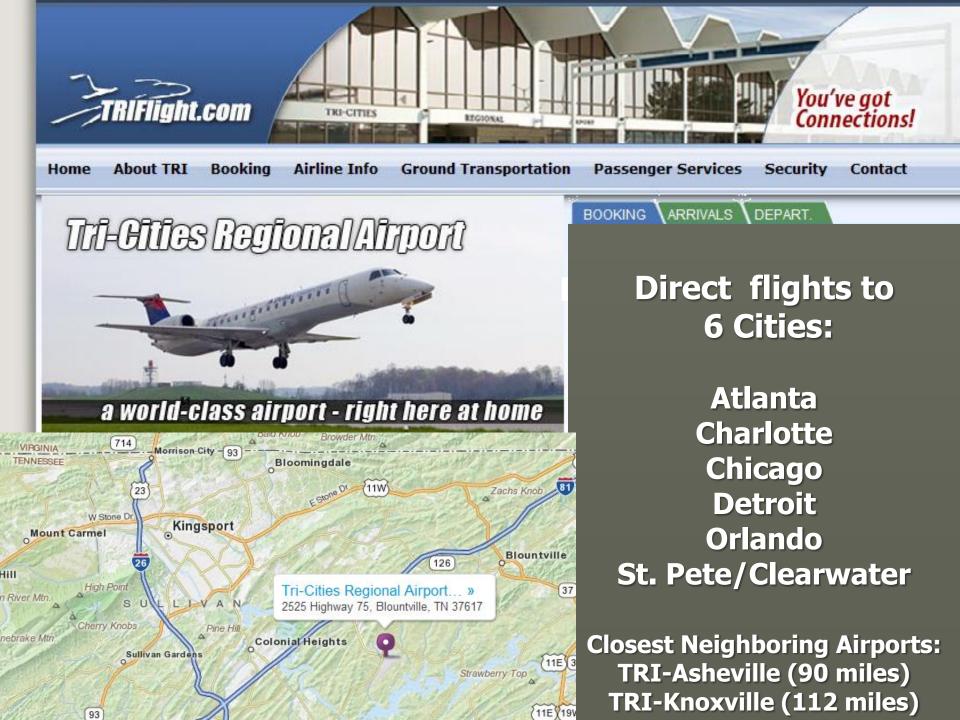
2009 – Higher Education

2009 - Advanced Manufacturing

Future – Automotive Tech

First LEED certified, publicly funded green higher education building in Tennessee





Variety of Housing Choices



Built: 1928, 5 BR, 2570 sf \$309,900 (\$3,154 taxes)



Built: 2009, 3 BR, 1963 sf \$199,900 (\$2,034 taxes)



Built: 2006, 4 BR, 2768 sf \$294,500 (\$2,997 taxes)



Built: 2008, 3 BR Attached Home 2174 sf \$239,900 (\$2,441 taxes)



Built: 1996, 5 BR, 6674 sf \$699,900 (\$7,123 taxes)



Built: 2008, 2BR Patio Home 1744 sf \$199,900 (\$2,034 taxes)

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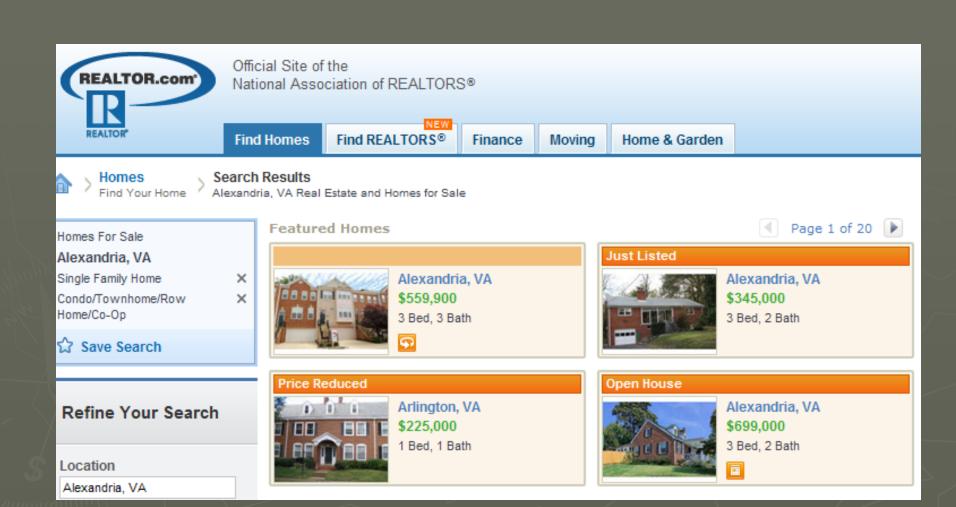


San Francisco County, CA \$499,000

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4 Bed, 3 Bath

Alexandria, Virginia





These stores have joined the Kingsport market since 2005

AspenDental





M dressbarn LANE BRYAN



stir fry cafe















































...and unique, local shops





































\$30 million expansion completed December 2010

6 minutes from Downtown

\$88,321,240 in spin-off private taxable investments

(1998-2009 Sullivan Co Public Tax Records)



April 166 300

The 1 year increase from 2008-2009 (\$22,576,400) was greater than the total property value in 1998 (\$22,496,860)

Downtown Kingsport Renaissance

\$37,666,900 in private taxable investment (1998-2009), a 70% increase in 11 years

Excluding churches, hospital, higher education (an additional \$129,000,000)





Measuring the Results

Why do we measure?

Malcolm Baldridge Quality Award

Everything you measure doesn't count. Everything that counts, can't be measured.

Sources of Measurement Pros and Cons

- Sources
 - Local data

State data

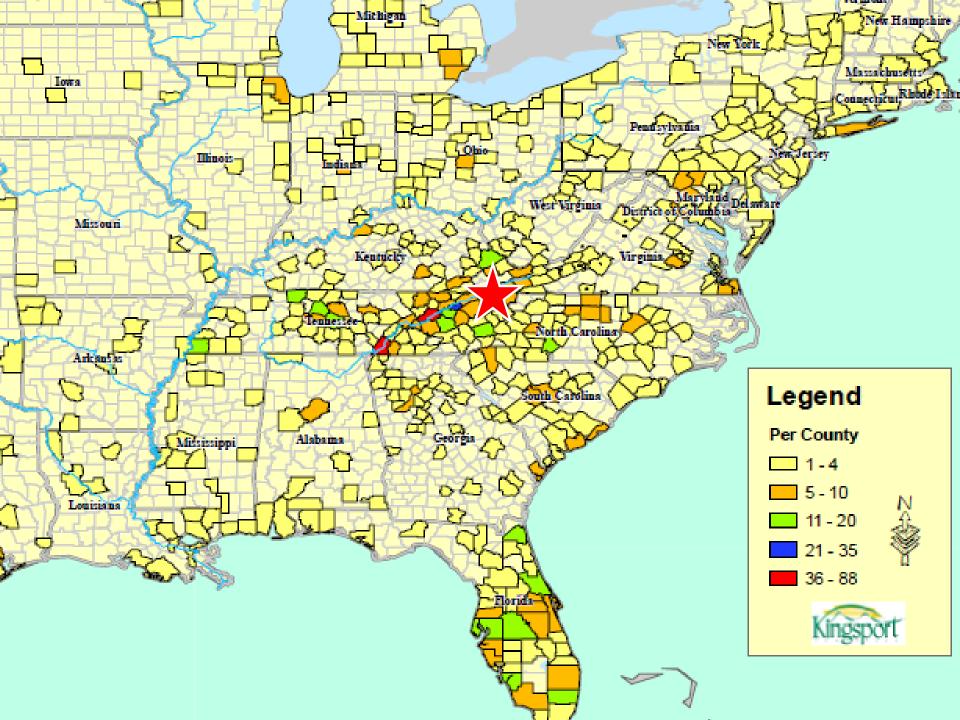
Federal,Census

Universities

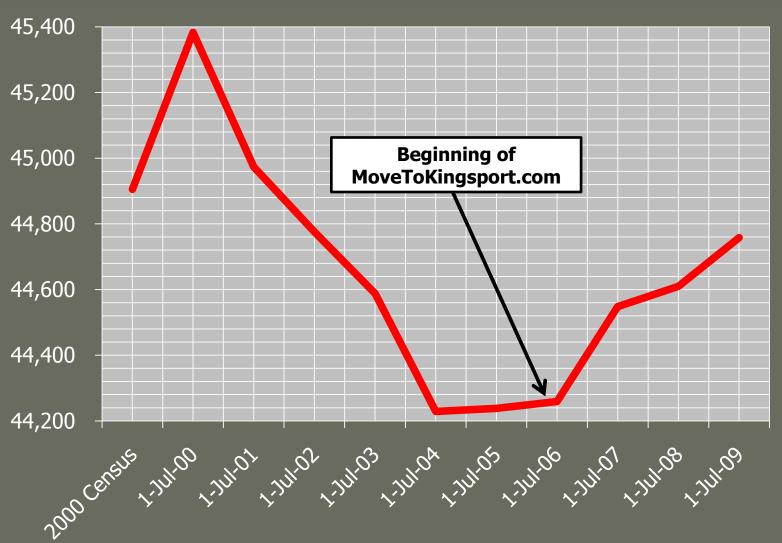
- Pros
 - Local control
 - Utility records
 - Retail sales
 - Building permits
 - Credible, trusted

- Credible, trusted
- Regional, national trends
- Scholarly analysis

- Cons
 - May not have access
 - Assumes meters
 - No external comparables
 - Usually only counties or larger cities
 - Border counties
 - Inconsistent geographies
 - Varying time frames (quarterly, annual)
 - Lag time



City of Kingsport Population



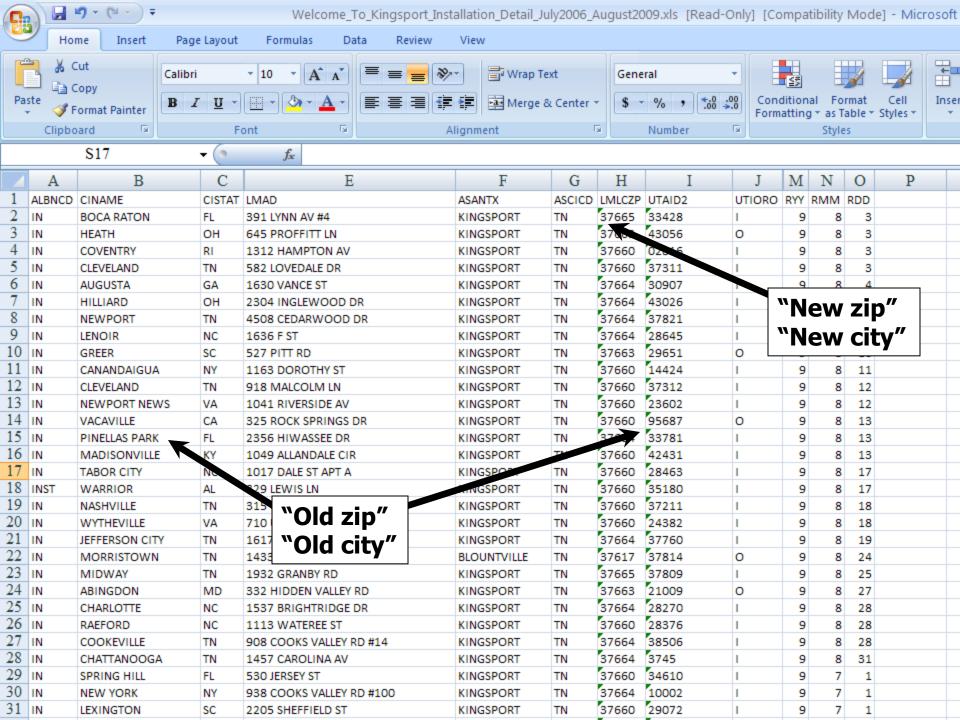
Annual Economic Impact of Newcomers

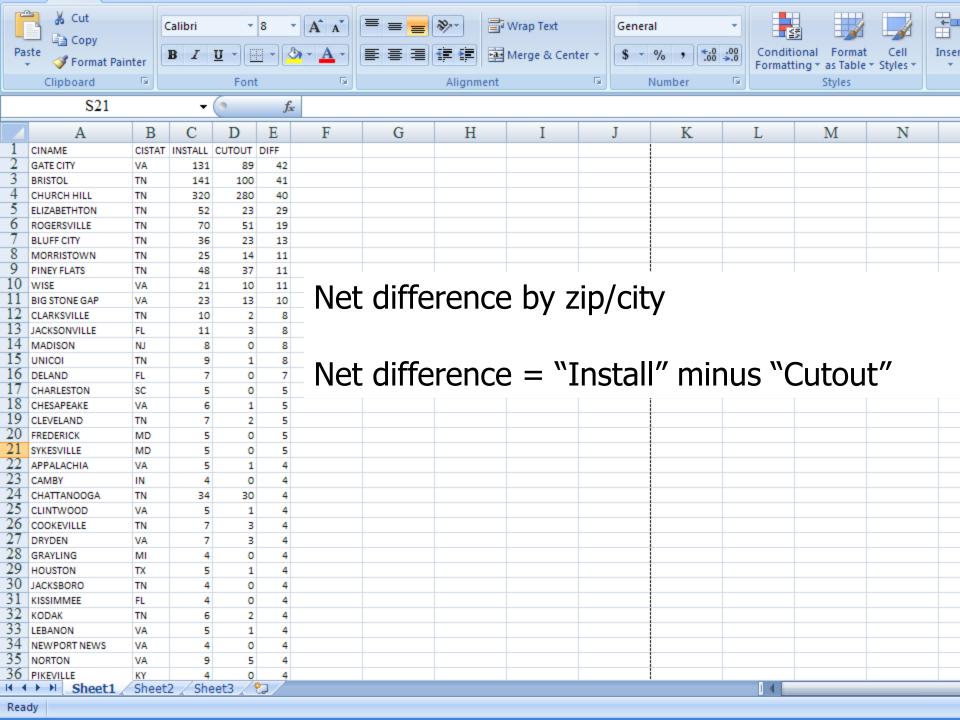
An example of Kingsport, Tennessee

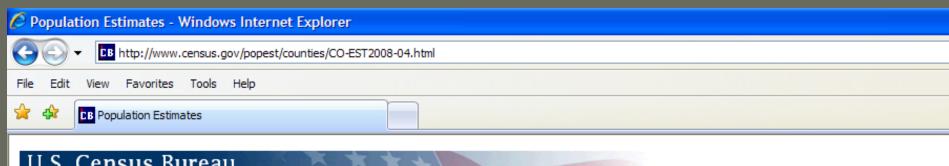
- ▶ 444 *net* new residential water connections (July 1, 2006 October 31, 2010)
- Census average = 2.3 persons per household
- \triangleright 444 x 2.3 = 1,021 new residents (with City water/Sullivan County/Kingsport zip code)
- \$25,000 economic impact per year per person (UNC Wilmington, 2010)
- > \$25,000 x 1,021 = **\$25,525,000**
 - Consuming services and creating demand for jobs in medical, pharmacy, finance, insurance, real estate, food, retail, etc.
 - Not a bad return on investment for \$55,000 annual budget for "Move To Kingsport" program

Utility Records

Description	Fiscal Vear 2007	Fiscal Vear 2008	Fiscal Vear 2009	Fiscal Year 2010	Fiscal Vear 2011
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RELOCATIONS OR TAPS	742	744	723	688	755
FIRST TIME TAP	60	90	48	25	29
RELOCATIONS TENNESSEE REGION (WITHIN 35 MILES - EXCLUDING KINGSPORT ZIP CODES)	126	116	135	138	162
RELOCATIONS TENNESSEE OUTSIDE REGION (MORE THAN 35 MILES)	24	30	31	26	23
RELOCATIONS WITHIN KINGSPORT ZIP CODES	416	398	387	400	409
RELOCATIONS VIRGINIA INSIDE REGION (WITHIN 35 MILES - EXCLUDING KINGSPORT ZIP CODES)	25	19	31	34	33
RELOCATIONS VIRGINIA OUTSIDE REGION (MORE THAN 35 MILES)	7	5	4	9	7
OTHER STATE BREAKDOWN	84	86	87	56	92
ALASKA	1	0	0	1	0
ALABAMA	0	1	1	0	2
ARKANSAS	0	0	2	0	0
ARIZONA	2	3	1	3	0
CALIFORNIA	3	5	2	2	1
COLORADO	1	1	1	0	1
CONNECTICUT	1	0	0	1	0
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0	0	1	0	0
DELAWARE	2	0	0	0	1
FLORIDA	20	15	12	5	12
GEORGIA	2	5	8	4	5
HAWAII	1	0	0	0	1
IOWA	0	0	0	1	0
ILLINOIS	3	2	0	1	2
INDIANA	2	1	4	1	1
KANSAS	0	1	0	1	2
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U.S. Census Bureau

Population Estimates

Estimates Data **Estimates Main Overview Estimates Topics Geographic Topics Archives Analysis**

County Population Estimates

Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Resident Population Change for Counties: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2008

Alabama	Alaska	Arizona		
Excel (24k) <u>CSV</u> (6k)	Excel (20k) <u>CSV</u> (4k)	Excel (18k) <u>CSV</u> (3k)		
Arkansas	California	Colorado		
Excel (25k) <u>CSV</u> (7k)	Excel (23k) <u>CSV</u> (6k)	Excel (24k) <u>CSV</u> (6k)		
Connecticut	Delaware	District of Columbia		
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Florida	Georgia	Hawaii		
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Idaho	Illinois	Indiana		
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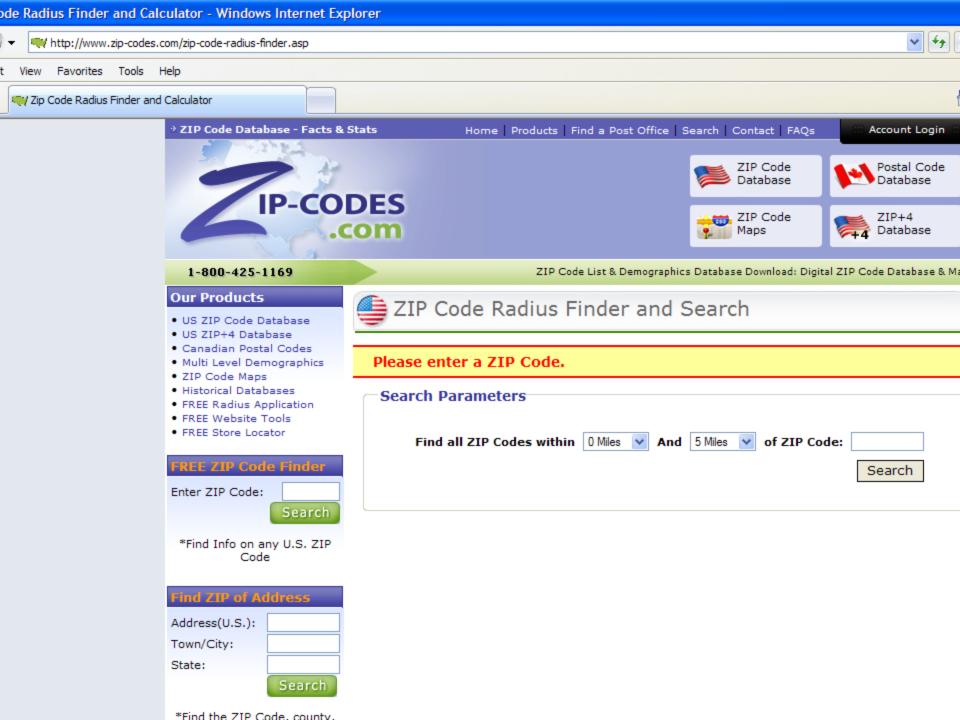
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Retire Tennessee Communities

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Sorted by % Residing in Different State in 1995	Resided in Dif in 1995 (Total		I VASE AGAA / I ATSI		Median Household Income		
County	2000	% of Population	2008	% of Population	2000	2008	Change
Cumberland County, TN	6,571	14.04%	1,933	3.66%	\$ 30,901	\$ 37,706	22.0%
Henry County, TN	3,610	11.60%	1,167	3.69%	\$ 30,169	\$ 36,758	21.8%
Hamilton County, TN	32,938	10.70%	11,710	3.55%	\$ 38,930	\$ 46,505	19.5%
Putnam County, TN	6,270	10.06%	2,375	3.40%	\$ 30,914	\$ 36,115	16.8%
TENNESSEE	567,966	10.0%	185,827	3.02%	\$ 36,360	\$ 43,662	20.1%
Jefferson County, TN	4,337	9.8%	2,146	4.28%	\$ 32,824	\$ 39,341	19.9%
Lincoln County, TN	3,051	9.74%	750	2.29%	\$ 33,434	\$ 42,699	27.7%
Sullivan County, TN	13,363	8.73%	4,738	3.09%	\$ 33,529	\$ 40,377	20.4%
Greene County, TN	5,061	8.0%	1,626	2.47%	\$ 30,382	\$ 36,192	19.1%
Hardin County, TN	1,868	7.30%	586	2.25%	\$ 27,819	\$ 31,231	12.3%
Robertson County, TN	3,437	6.31%	1,279	2.02%	\$ 43,174	\$ 48,375	12.0%



FY2011 Year-to-Date Relocation Report July-October 2010

SAMPLE MONTHLY REPORT

www.MoveToKingsport.com

During the 4 month period (July-October 2010), there were 525 new families in Kingsport (and 582 existing Kingsport area residents moved to a new location within the Kingsport area.)

The net difference is +444 families (July 2006-October 2010)

Of these 525 new families:

- 40 were new construction
- 485 moved into existing structures
- 261 relocated from elsewhere in Northeast Tennessee (< 35 miles, excluding Kingsport zips)
- 37 relocated from elsewhere in Tennessee (> 35 miles)
- 48 relocated from Southwest Virginia (<35 miles of Kingsport)
- 10 relocated from elsewhere in Virginia (>35 miles)
- 68% chose to live inside the city limits of Kingsport
- 72.5% of new construction was inside city limits of Kingsport

Comparing this Fiscal Year-to-Date (July-October 2010) with the average Fiscal Years-to-Date 2007-2010:

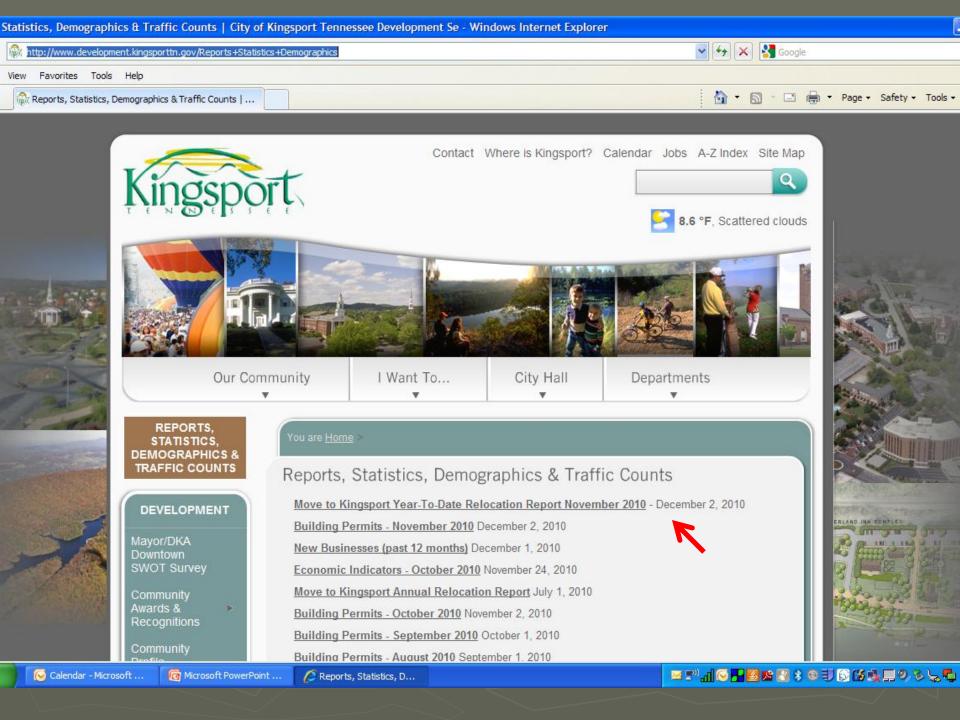
- New residential construction is down -65.8%
- Out-of-state relocations to Kingsport are up 8.6%

During the 4 month period (July-October 2010), 187 families moved from out-of-state (36 states):

EXAMPLE OF 35 MI

Selected Metros Moving to Kingsport	
Charlotte	30
Orlando	27
Washington DC	24
Tampa	24
Asheville	21
Greensboro	18
Jacksonville	17
Daytona	16
Boone, NC	16
Fort Myers	13
West Palm Beach	12
Venice, FL	11
Raleigh	8
Melbourne, FL	7
Miami	7
Naples	7
Pensacola	4
Fort Pierce, FL	3
Panama City	1
	266

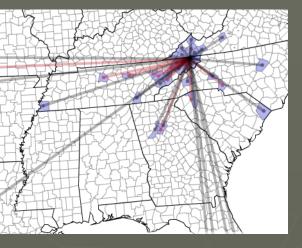
Another example using zip-codes.com to identify zip codes within a radius of a city. Zip codes are more specific than counties. Metros may span parts of several counties or states.

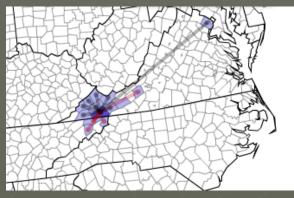


Free data (in this case, interactive!): Fortune Magazine (2008) Where Americans Are Moving

http://www.forbes.com/2010/06/04/migration-moving-wealthy-interactive-counties-map.html

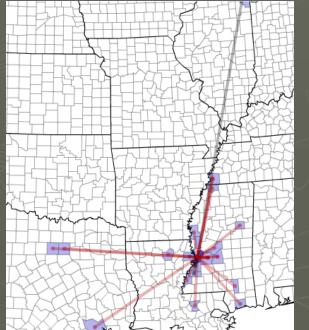
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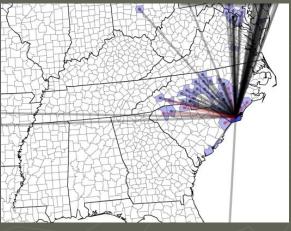




Bristol Washington Co, Virginia

Vicksburg Warren Co, Mississippi





Wilmington Metro Brunswick Co, North Carolina

Example: University Research Inmigrant Retiree Relocation Study

East Tennessee State University

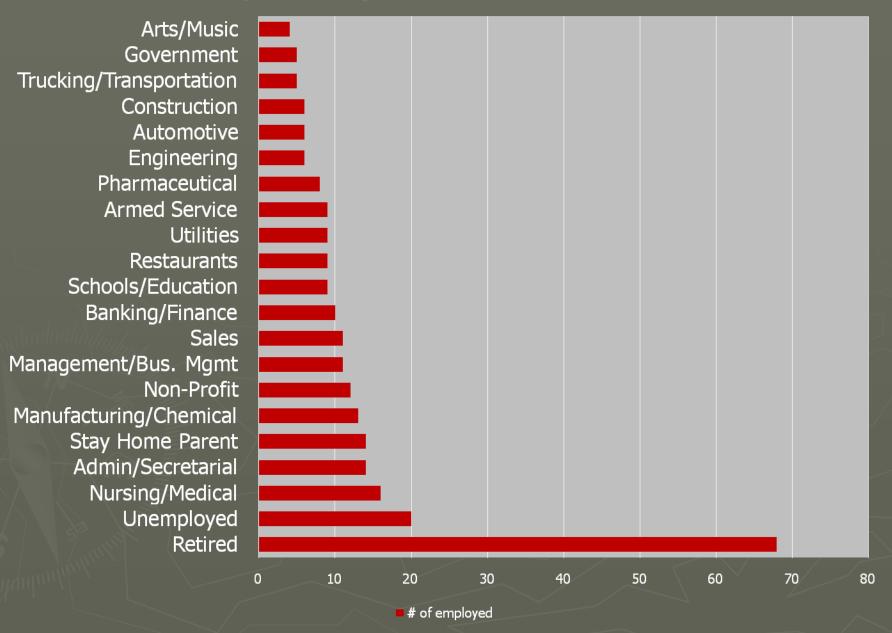
Christian McMullin, Planning Intern

- ▶ 17.3% response rate (of 1,280 calls)
- 220 households responded to the telephone survey
- 25% of households consisted of at least one recent retiree
- ▶ 64% of all respondents reported had no previous ties to the area
- Of the 55 retired households, 64% had previously lived in the Kingsport area and moved back
 - So there was in fact more of a tendency among retirees to "return to roots" than the rest of the newcomers.
- ▶ 44% of all respondents said low cost of living was a major factor in their decision to relocate to the area.
 - Among retirees, it was 55%

Telephone Survey

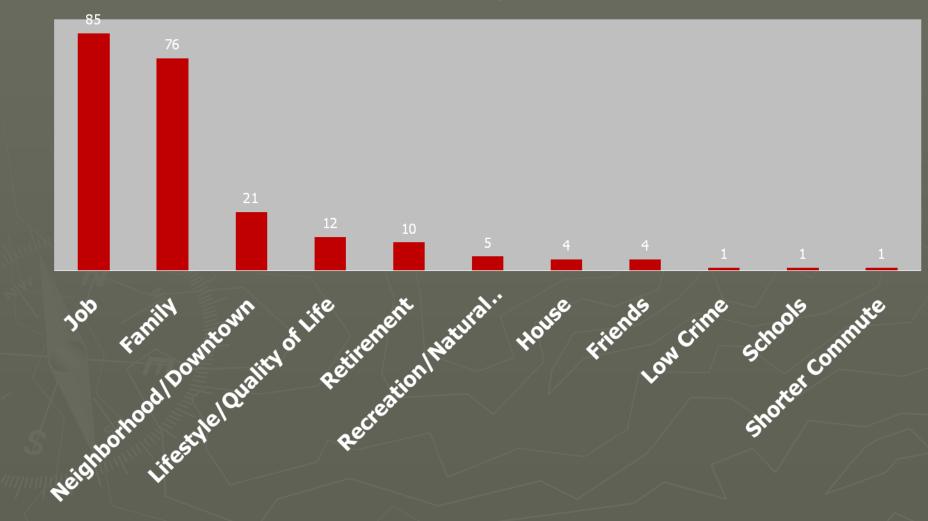
- Median age of adult newcomers was 43.4
- Median age of retirees was 59 (Baby Boomers!)
- Newcomers rated Sullivan County 7.9 in quality of life.
- Retirees rated it 8.1
- A great majority of the respondents felt they did not want to give a 9 or 10 in responding to a local government for fear of government complacency and leaving room for growth.

Top 20 Occupations of New Residents



Top Cited Relocation Factors in Sullivan County (Based on 220 responses)

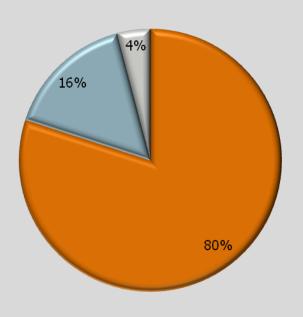
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Top Relocation Factors

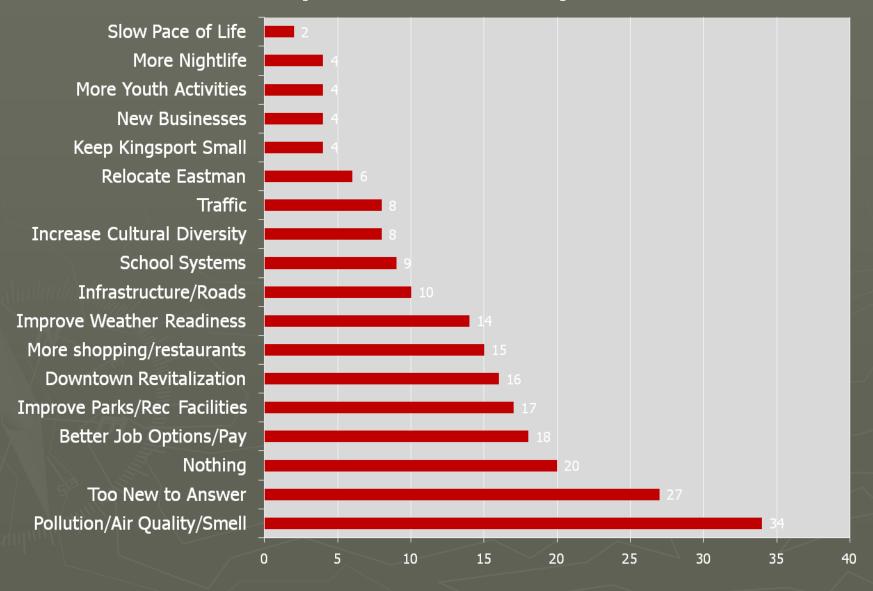
- ► A minimum of 23% responses were related to <u>amenities</u> provided in Sullivan County
 - 29% of retiree responses
- Among IMRs, 47% cited family as the biggest factor in their move
 - 30% for all newcomers
 - "Return to Roots" (Southwest Virginia)
- 8% of new residents stated past visits (including tourismrelated excursions) supported their knowledge of Sullivan County



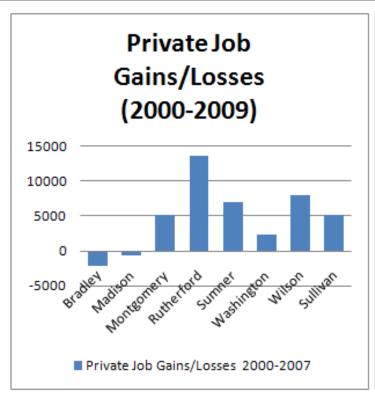


- Highly Satisfied/Satisfied
- Only Somewhat Satisfied
- Unsatisfied

What would new residents change or look to improve upon in Sullivan County?



Top Concern: Jobs



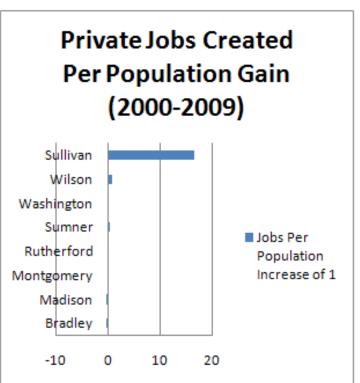


Table 17.1 Table 17.2

Sullivan County has outperformed peer counties in private jobs created per population gain

Positive Impact of In-Migrant Retirees

- Any IMRs who have the means and wherewithal to make a significant move from another state or region to Sullivan County are likely to be more affluent than the average resident in Sullivan County.
- Nationally, 25% of all IMRs have incomes in excess of \$100,000. According to a 2005 Merrill Lynch Study, baby boomer household average income is \$53k, well above the national average (Harris Interactive, 2005).
- Over 30% of migrants to Tennessee between the years 1995 to 2000 had a least a bachelors degree. Only 19% of the Sullivan County population had a bachelors degree as of 2008, while 24% of Kingsport had at least a bachelors degree.

Positive Impacts of IMR's

- Increased average income levels for local economy
- Increased # of positive tax payers
- Increases in property tax base, bank deposit base
- Property tax revenues rise
- IMR professional expertise and financial resources
- Less strain on environment and criminal justice system
- Development of medical hub

Cost of Living — A growing concern with 'Great Recession' of 2009

- According to the 2010 Cost of Living Rankings of Relocation Essentials LC, Sullivan County's cost of living is 25% less than the national average.
- ► The Tax Foundation estimates that Tennessee's total tax burden is 8.3% of income, 44th out of 50 states (Hagen, 2009)
- City + County Property taxes on a \$ 200,000 home in Kingsport are \$2,000
- ► Tennessee has no income tax on salaries/wages

Cost of Living — A growing concern with 'Great Recession' of 2009

- ▶ Within the current recession of 2009 and 2010, baby boomers have lost an estimated 20% of their savings, an equivalent of around 2 trillion dollars.
- ► This bodes well for less expensive alternative retirement destinations like Sullivan County and Kingsport.
- Boomers are less likely to retire in an organized, gated community. They want multi-generational amenities/facilities and do NOT want to be viewed as their parents were viewed in retirement

Financial Impact of IMR's

- ▶ IRS filings for Sullivan County (earnings or taxable assets):
 - 2005-06: net increase in 151 households, average income = \$54,331
 - 2006-07: net increase of 414 households, average income = \$63,743
 - 2007-08: net increase of 332 households, average income = \$62,984
- Compared to the median income of \$33,529 of Sullivan County in 2008, the average income of new filings for 2008 were 88% greater than that of the median income.
- ► This supports the idea that the majority of IMR households will increase county fixed income streams of taxable assets and work as a stabilizing force on the economy.

AARP Survey

AARP Livable Community





A Livable Community Survey of the Greater Kingsport, TN Area: A Place to Live, Work, and Play for a Lifetime

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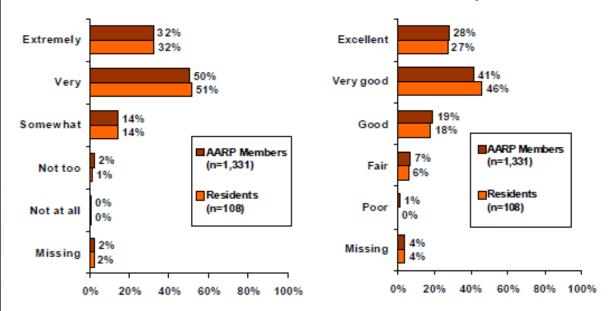
*Most respondents were "Greatest Generation" and "Silent Generation" – very few Baby Boomers – which is a major gap because boomers will be the greatest retirement influencer for the next 30 years

AARP Livability Survey Kingsport, Tennessee

Eight in ten members say they are extremely or very satisfied with the Greater Kingsport Area as a place to live. Community residents of the Greater Kingsport Area in our convenience sample also expressed similar levels of satisfaction.



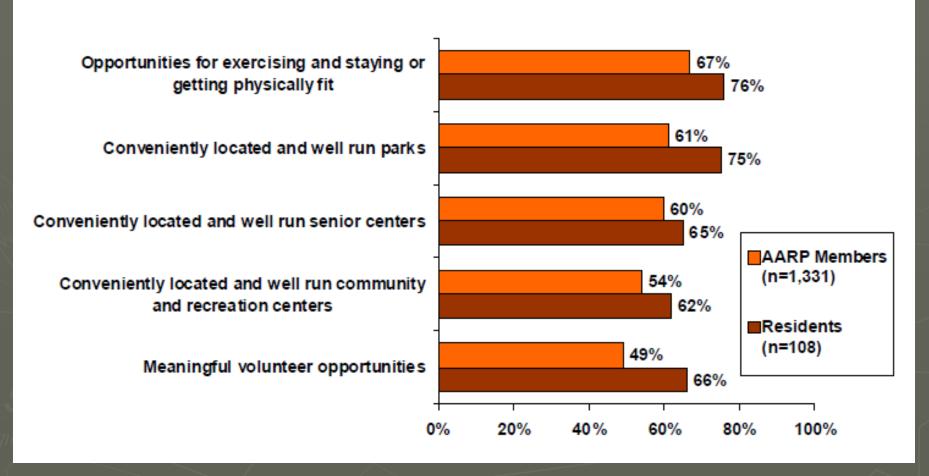
The Greater Kingsport Area as a Place for Older People to Live



When Greater Kingsport Area members and residents think about their future, about seven in ten say it is an excellent or very good place for older people to live. Less than 10 percent of members and residents rate the Greater Kingsport Area as a fair or poor place for older people to live. In fact, older AARP members (those 65+) are more likely to rate the Greater Kingsport Area as an excellent place for older people to live.

AARP Livability Survey Kingsport, Tennessee

Activities of Importance (Extremely & Very) to AARP Members & Community Residents



AARP Livability Survey Kingsport, Tennessee

The biggest gap identified between what is important and what exists in the Greater Kingsport Area in our list of activities is well run and located community and recreation centers.

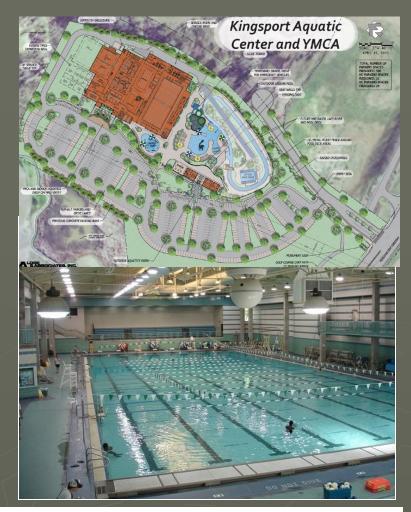
However, the spread of this gap is relatively low. No gaps were present in terms of senior centers and meaningful volunteer opportunities.

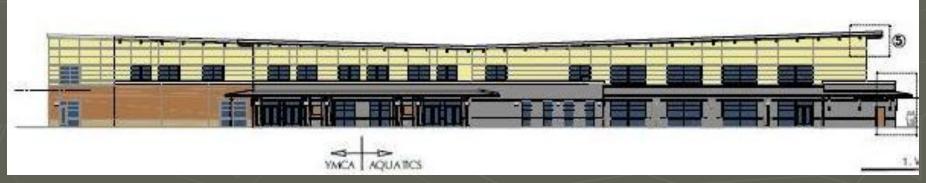
Activities in the Greater Kingsport Area (n varies based on awareness of attribute)	Gap	Importance of Attribute	Existence of Attribute
Conveniently located and well run community and recreation centers (n=870)	-11.9%	92.8%	80.9%
Conveniently located and well run parks (n=1,102)	-2.7%	95.2%	92.5%
Opportunities for exercising and staying or getting physically fit (n=1,101)	-1.8%	94.6%	92.8%
Conveniently located and well run senior centers (n=1,067)	0.4%	92.7%	93.1%
Meaningful volunteer opportunities (n=1,014)	7.3%	89.5%	96.8%



YMCA and Aquatic Center

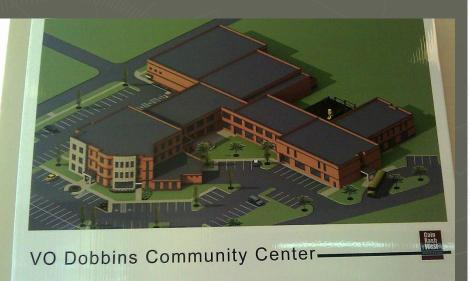
- > \$15 million
- ▶ Fitness, Competition, Wellness, Leisure
- Zero depth entries, ADA accessible
- Family/assisted changing rooms
- Indoor-Outdoor
- All ages and abilities
- Collocated with new YMCA
- Construction 2011, Completion 2012





V.O. Dobbins, Sr. **Community Center**

- > \$8.2 million / 46,000 sf
- ▶ Gym Space / Ballfields
- Community Rooms
- ▶ Non-Profit Center



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Above, Dr. Carroll Van West, director of historic preservation at MTSU, unveils the new historical marker for the V.O. Dobbins

Sr. Complex during opening cor emonies on Friday, Below, Van Dobbins Jr. speaks at the ceremony. At left, Andra Watterson. class of 1965, sings the school

song for Douglass High School with fellow alumni, accompanied by the Dobyus-Bennett

High School Band.

New life in these old halls

V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex dedicated

"My father would be so proud of this historic moment. It's an emotional moment, it really is."

- Van Dobbins Jr.

By MATTHEW LANE

KINGSPORT - The dedication of the newly represented and expanded V.O. Dobbins Sr. Complex on Friday brought forth much applicase, many thanks and moments of nostalgia and emotion for those in attendance - an event years in the making and one some say was long overdue for the Riverview community.

Kingsport held a ribbon cutting for the



ing the past 15 months.

Built in 1951 and named after abolitionist Frederick Douglass, the building served as Kingsport's 'blacks only' school — Deughas High School — until 1966 when students were assimilated into all-white schools throughout Kingsport. The city then turned the facility into a community center, renaming it after longtime Douglass Principal Van Dobbins Sr.



The Future: Kingsport Public Library Expansion





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January Dr. Jim Taylor, Waterbury, CT http://www.harrisongroupinc.com/

February Mr. Joe Verdoorn, Austin, TX http://blog.secplanning.com/page/Joe-Verdoorn.aspx

March Mr. Berkeley Young, Charlotte, NC http://youngstrategies.com/berkeley.html

April Mr. Dave Robertson, Wilmington, NC http://www.rpisales.com/index.html

May Mr. Bill Houghton, Savannah, GA http://www.thelandings.com/

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2009 Chattanooga, Tennessee